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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. (Currently amended) A hair conditioning composition comprising by weight:
- (a) from about 0.1% to about 20% of a cationic silicone emulsion comprising by weight of the cationic silicone emulsion from about 1% to about 20% of a cationic surfactant; and an emulsifiable amount of a silicone compound having a particle size of less than about 50 microns, wherein the silicone compound comprises a mechanically emulsified polydimethylsiloxane;
- (b) from about 0.1% to about 15% of a high melting point fatty compound having a melting point of 25°C or higher;
- (c) from about 0.1% to about 10% of a cationic conditioning agent; and
- (d) an aqueous carrier.
- 2. (Original) The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 wherein the cationic silicone emulsion comprises by weight from about 2% to about 8% of the cationic surfactant.
- 3. (Original) The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 wherein the silicone compound has a particle size of from about 0.2 microns to about 2.5 microns.
- 4. (Canceled)
- 5. (Currently amended) The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 comprising by weight from about 0.55% to about 7% of the cationic conditioning agent; the cationic conditioning agent comprising:

an amidoamine having the following general formula:

 $R^{1}$  CONH (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>m</sub> N ( $R^{2}$ )<sub>2</sub>

wherein  $R^1$  is a residue of  $C_{11}$  to  $C_{24}$  fatty acids,  $R^2$  is a  $C_1$  to  $C_4$  alkyl, and m is an integer from 1 to 4; and

a acid selected from the group consisting of L-glutamic acid, lactic acid, hydrochloric acid, malic acid, succinic acid, acetic acid, fumaric acid, L-glutamic acid hydrochloride, tartaric acid, and mixtures thereof.

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6. (Previously amended) The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 further comprising by weight from about 0.1% to about 10% of a low melting point oil having a melting point of less than 25°C.

 (Original) The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 6 wherein the low melting point oil is an unsaturated fatty alcohol.

8. (Currently amended) The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 6 wherein the low melting point oil is selected from the group consisting of:

(a) pentaerythritol ester oils having a molecular weight of at least about 800, and having the following formula:

wherein  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ , and  $R^4$ , independently, are branched, straight, saturated, or unsaturated alkyl, aryl, and alkylaryl groups selected from the group consisting of  $C_1$  – $C_{30}$  alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_{30}$  alkyl,  $C_3$ - $C_{30}$  alkyl aryl; having from 1 to about 30 carbons;

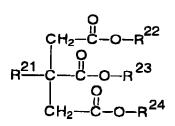
(b) trimethylol ester oils having a molecular weight of at least about 800, and having the following formula:

wherein  $R^{11}$  is an alkyl group having from 1 to about 30 carbons, and  $R^{12}$ ,  $R^{13}$ , and  $R^{14}$ , independently, are branched, straight, saturated, or unsaturated alkyl, aryl, and alkylaryl groups selected from the group consisting of  $C_1$  – $C_{30}$  alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_{30}$  alkenyl alkyl,  $C_6$ - $C_{30}$  aryl, and  $C_6$ - $C_{30}$  alkyl aryl; having from 1 to about 30 carbons;

(c) poly  $\alpha$ -olefin oils derived from 1-alkene monomers having from about 6 to about 16 carbons, the poly  $\alpha$ -olefin oils having a viscosity of from about 1 to about 35,000 cst, a molecular weight of from about 200 to about 60,000, and a polydispersity of no more than about 3;

(d) citrate ester oils having a molecular weight of at least about 500, and having the following formula:

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wherein R<sup>21</sup> is OH or CH<sub>3</sub>COO, and R<sup>22</sup>, R<sup>23</sup>, and R<sup>24</sup>, independently, are branched, straight, saturated, or unsaturated alkyl, aryl, and alkylaryl groups selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub>—C<sub>30</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>30</sub> alkenyl alkyl, C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>30</sub> aryl, and C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>30</sub> alkyl aryl; having from 1 to about 30 carbons;

(e) glyceryl ester oils having a molecular weight of at least about 500, and having the following formula:

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wherein  $R^{41}$ ,  $R^{42}$ , and  $R^{43}$ , independently, are branched, straight, saturated or unsaturated alkyl, aryl, and alkylaryl groups selected from the group consisting of  $C_1$ ,  $-C_{30}$  alkyl,  $C_2$ - $C_{30}$  alkyl,  $C_3$ - $C_{30}$  alkyl aryl having from 1 to about 30 carbons and mixtures thereof.

9. (Original) The hair conditioning composition according to Claim 7 further comprising by weight from about 0.1% to about 10% of a polyethylene glycol having the formula:

 $H(OCH_2CH_2)_n$  -OH

wherein n has an average value of from 2,000 to 14,000.

10. (Previously amended) A method of increasing hair volume by applying the hair conditioning composition according to Claim 1 to the hair.